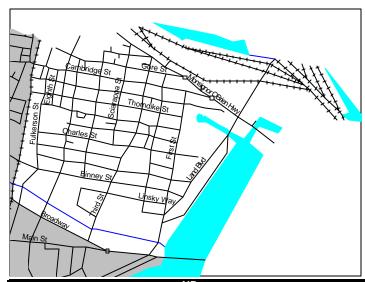
NEIGHBORHOOD 1 EAST CAMBRIDGE





BOUNDARIES: bordered by the Charles River, Main Street, Broadway, the B&A Railroad, and the Somerville border

POPULATION: 7,294 residents

2,726 households

AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME:

\$30,281

Neighborhood #1 lies within the patrol boundaries of Car 1 (2 officers) and Car 1R (1 officer). Also included are walking routes 1A, 1B, and 1C.

COMPARISON OF 2ND Q. TARGET CRIME STATISTICS, 1999 – 2003

CRIME	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Housebreaks	13	13	21	25	19
Street Robbery	9	7	9	7	5
Auto Theft	37	35	29	30	19
Larceny from MVs	49	31	39	32	70
Malicious Destruction	60	32	50	67	68
Drug Arrests	7	5	3	6	16

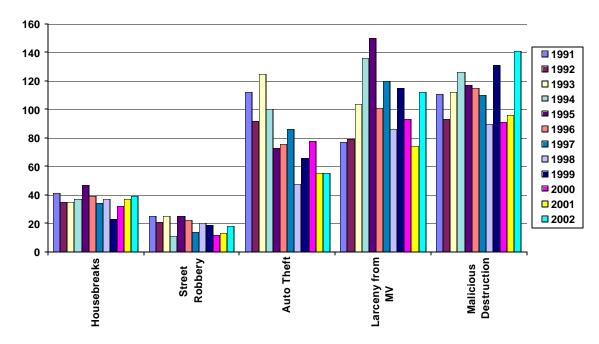
2003 SECOND QUARTER IN REVIEW

Street Robberies have slightly declined in East Cambridge when compared to the same time period last year. Three of the five incidents involved victims being targeted as they walked alone towards the Lechmere T-station. One incident involved the robbery of an individual taking money out of an ATM. The unknown suspect walked up behind the victim and put an unknown object up to the victim's head, demanding the victim's wallet. The sole arrest was of a young male from Boston, who was involved in a group assault of a female, in which her purse was stolen. • Housebreaks have also decreased in the first half of 2003. At the Museum Towers there were eight breaks in the first half of the year, which were concentrated on Wednesdays and Fridays. Entry was mostly made through unlocked doors and laptops were a main target. • Although auto thefts have declined significantly, larcenies from motor vehicles surged in the second quarter of the year. The only related auto thefts took place on consecutive days in April, when two Yamaha motorcycles were stolen. The two bikes have not been recovered as of yet. Toyota Camrys and Honda Civics were common targets. Larcenies from motor vehicles were concentrated in the area of Bent, Second, First, and Third Streets. There was a spree of car breaks starting in April, They concentrated on Fridays in April, and Mondays in May. One arrest took place during this time period, but the activity did not cease with the single arrest. Seven total arrests were made for car breaks in the first half of the year, all of non-Cambridge residents. • Malicious **Destruction of property** remained quite stable in comparison to the past year. An overwhelming majority of the incidents involved damage to parked cars. • The drug arrests made during the first six months of 2003 were split between arrests made by the Special Investigations Unit and drugs found during searches incident to arrests made for unrelated offenses. Marijuana and crack/cocaine were the most commonly discovered drugs in these arrests.

NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILE AND HISTORICAL SYNOPSIS

With the booming Cambridgeside Galleria and the fringe of Cambridge Center as its most prominent features, East Cambridge may be the most heavily trafficked commercial region in the city. It has a smaller than average residential population. Other features of the neighborhood include the Lechmere MBTA station, the Kennedy Elementary School, and the Middlesex County Courthouse.

- Street robberies ballooned with the opening of the Cambridgeside Galleria in 1991, but have abated in recent years. Most of these are pack or bullyboy robberies committed by and against juveniles. Other robbery patterns—predatory in nature—sometimes appear on Cambridge Street near the B&A Railroad.
- The motor vehicle related crimes of **auto theft**, **larceny from motor vehicles**, and **malicious destruction of property** occur at the highest numbers here, of anywhere in Cambridge due to the level of commercial parking around the Cambridgeside Galleria, along Cambridge Street and in the vicinity of Cambridge Center.
- **Assaults**, **threats** and related crimes between plaintiffs, victims, or complainants and defendants sometimes occur in the area of the Middlesex County Courthouse.



ANNUAL AVERAGE FOR EAST CAMBRIDGE TARGET CRIMES								
Crime	1981-1990	Rank 81-90*	1991-2000	Rank 91-00*	Rank 2002*			
Housebreaks	38	10	36	9	7			
Street Robbery	10	11	20	4	4			
Auto Theft	156	2	85	1	3			
Larceny from MVs	121	5	107	1	2			
Malicious Destruction	118	5	114	1	2			

^{*}Ranks are out of 13 neighborhoods, with 1 indicating the highest crime rate and 13 the lowest